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TAGS:PFOR, PINS, PO, TZ, MZ, US
SUBJECT:FRELIMO ATTACKS IN MOZAMBIQUE
REFERENCE: DAR ES SALAAM 1492

1. EMBASSY SHOULD NOT RPT NOT VOLUNTEER ANY PUBLIC COMMENT ON REUTERS REPORT CITED REFTEL THAT US MILITARY PERSONNEL MAY HAVE BEEN ABOARD AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN IN MOZAMBIQUE.

2. EMBASSY MAY, IF ASKED, USE WIRE SERVICE INFO FROM L-M SAYING THAT PORTUGUESE C/S GEN COSTA GOMES CONFIRMED THAT FRELIMO HAD DAMAGED A PLANE OVER NORTHERN MOZAMBIQUE CARRYING SEVEN FOREIGN MILITARY ATTACHES FROM VARIOUS EMBASSIES IN LISBON WITH A SOVIET MADE SA-7 (STRELA) MISSILE. NO PERSONNEL INJURIES WERE CAUSED. US DATT FROM LISBON WAS ON A ROUTINE PERIODIC VISIT TO PORTUGUESE TERRITORIES APPROVED BY DEPT AND DOD.

3. FYI: PORTUGUESE AUTHORITIES ORIGINALLY REQUESTED THAT INFO BE CLOSELY HELD FOR OBVIOUS REASONS IN WHICH WE CONCURRED AS (A) DATT WAS GUEST OF PORTUGUESE AND (B) WE DID NOT WISH TO CAUSE UNNECESSARY WORRY TO FAMILIES OF THOSE INVOLVED. END FYI. RUSH

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